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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 16 January 2009.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 and 21 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 20 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10, 12, 14-19 and 21 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 11 and 13 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SF/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments, see applicant's remarks, filed on 01/16/2009, with respect to the rejection(s) of claims 1-19 and 21 under 35 U.S.C § 103(a) have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

2. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

3. Claims 11 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

4. Claim 11 recited the limitation "Analogue or digital computer data signal, embodied by an electromagnetic wave, comprising a program code segment for carrying out the step of receiving data and processing usable data of the method according to Claim 1, in particular if the program code is executed in a computer" is never mention in the body of the claim until the end of it. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claims.

5. Claim 13 recited the limitation "Reference directory or data directory as an analogue or digital computer data signal, embodied by an electromagnetic wave comprising a code segment for carrying out the method according to Claim 1, in particular if the code segment is used in a computer" is never mention in the body of the claim until the end of it. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claims.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

6. Claim 11 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is not supported by either a "...an electromagnetic wave, comprising a program code..." asserted utility or a well established utility. The claimed invention appears to be "Analogue or digital computer data signal, embodied by an electromagnetic wave, comprising a program code segment for carrying out the step of receiving data and processing usable data of the method according to Claim 1, in particular if the program code is executed in a computer". It is not clear support of what "...an electromagnetic wave, comprising a program code..." has been positive disclosed as.

7. Claim 13 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is not supported by either a "...an electromagnetic wave, comprising a code..." asserted utility or a well established utility. The claimed invention appears to be "Analogue or digital computer data signal, embodied by an electromagnetic wave, comprising a code segment for carrying out the step of receiving data and processing usable data of

the method according to Claim 1, in particular if the code is executed in a computer". It is not clear support of what "...an electromagnetic wave, comprising a code..." has been positive disclosed as.

8. Claim 11 is also rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. Specifically, since the claimed invention is not supported by either a "...an electromagnetic wave, comprising a program code..." asserted utility or a well established utility for the reasons set forth above, one skilled in the art clearly would not know how to use the claimed invention.

9. Claim 13 is also rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. Specifically, since the claimed invention is not supported by either a "...an electromagnetic wave, comprising a code..." asserted utility or a well established utility for the reasons set forth above, one skilled in the art clearly would not know how to use the claimed invention.

Reasons for Allowance

10. Claim 20 cancelled.
11. Claims 1-10, 12, 14-19 and 21 are allowed over the prior art record.
12. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The applicant's remarks, filed on 01/16/2009, have been carefully reviewed with updated search. Consequently, reasons for allowance of claims 1-10, 12, 14-19 and 21 are set forth in according to the applicant's remarks state on pages 1-6.

Conclusion

13. Any response to this action should be mailed to:

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/Tuan Nguyen/
Examiner
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